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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-20, 22-24, 26-37 and 39-51 are pending in this application. By this amendment, claims 1-2, 26-27, 35, 39-41, 44-45 and 47 are amended, claims 21, 25 and 38 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and claims 49-51 are added. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicants sincerely acknowledge the Office Action's indication that claim 18-19 and 38-39 define patentable subject matter. However, for at least the reasons set forth below Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-2, 4-16, 20-31, 33, 35-37, 40-41, 43-45 and 47-48 over U.S. Patent No. 6,339,400 to Flint et al. (hereinafter Flint). The Office Action rejections claims 3 and 46 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Flint and U.S. Patent No. 6,441,791 to Oka. The Office Action rejects claims 17 and 32 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Flint and U.S. Patent No. 6,362,792 to Sawamura et al. The Office Action rejects claims 34 and 42 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Flint and U.S. Patent No. 5,809,403 to MacDonald, Jr. et al. Since Flint, Oka, Sawamura and MacDonald, individually or in combination, fail to disclose or suggest features recited in the pending claims, the rejections are respectfully traversed.

With respect to claim 35, Applicants respectfully submit that subject matter indicated to be allowable has been incorporated into independent claim 35. Independent claims 1, 41 and 45 are amended to recite features similar to claim 35. Further, independent claim 44 is amended to recite a mobile electronic equipment including a bracket configured to extend inwardly from the

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sidewall of the cover outer case with a fixing portion at one side thereof fixedly connected with the sidewall of the panel frame, and an antenna fixed at the fixing portion of the bracket configured to extend between the fixing portion and the sidewall of the cover outer case for enabling a radio communication, the antenna configured to be grounded to the panel frame.

Applicants respectfully submit that Flint, Oka, Sawamura and MacDonald do not teach or suggest modifications to their disclosure that would result in at least features of a mobile electronic equipment including a bracket and an antenna and combinations thereof as recited in claim 44.

For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicant's respectfully submit that claims 1, 35, 41, 44 and 45 define patentable subject matter. Claims 2-14, 17, 19-34, 36-37, 39-40, 41-43 and 46-48 depend from claims 1, 35, 41 and 45, respectively, and therefore also define patentable subject matter for at least that reason as well as their additionally recited features. Claims 21, 25 and 38 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-2, 4-16, 20-31, 33, 35-37, 40-41, 43-45, 47-48 under § 102 and claims 3, 17, 32, 34, 42 and 46 under § 103 is respectfully requested.

Claims 49-51 are newly added by this amendment and believed to be in condition for allowance. For example, new independent claim 51 is directed toward the allowable subject matter of claim 18.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, Carl R. Wesolowski, at the telephone number listed below. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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